



# LOS ANGELES COUNTY INFORMATION SYSTEMS COMMISSION

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## Members

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William Chen  
Ying Tung Chen  
Marilyn G. Katherman  
Tom Ross  
Alfred S. Samulon

## MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING of March 1, 2010

Room 372, Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration

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### ATTENDANCE

#### Members Present

Jonathan Fuhrman, Chair  
Ying Tung Chen  
Marilyn Katherman  
Alfred Samulon  
Tom Ross

#### Members Not Present

T. Austin Bordeaux  
William Chen

#### Others Present

Richard Sanchez, Chief Information Officer  
Greg Melendez, CIO  
Robert Pittman, CIO  
Michael Sylvester, Department of Public Social Services

#### Staff

Lee Millen  
Nyla Jefferson

### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Fuhrman called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JANUARY 4, 2010

On motion of Commissioner Samulon, seconded by Commissioner Katherman and unanimously carried, the minutes of January 4, 2010 were approved with the following correction:

The 2<sup>nd</sup> page, 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph should read, "Commissioner Samulon advised that he e-mailed ~~the Commission's~~ his personal recommendations to...."

### CHAIR'S REPORT

There was none.

### **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR**

Chair Fuhrman called for the nomination of a Vice Chair.

Commissioner Katherman nominated Commissioner Samulon, seconded by Commissioner Ying Chen to serve as Vice Chair.

There being no further nominations, Commissioner Samulon was elected Vice Chair by acclamation.

### **UPDATE ON THE LEADER REPLACEMENT SYSTEMS**

Michael Sylvester, Assistant Director, DPSS, provided the following update on the efforts made to the Leader Replacement System Project:

- The design implementation is within the required timeframe; in negotiations with the selected vendor Accenture that should be complete in April; a 90 day review process will follow at the State and Federal level; and the BOS will review/approve in November/December, with an anticipated start date of January 1, 2011.
- There is support for the Leader Replacement System Project in that it is widely recognized that further delays would expose the County to undue risks and potentially significant additional costs. A logical upgrade to the current system's platform is not possible, and the Leader contract would have to be extended beyond the contract's term.

Chair Fuhrman thanked Mr. Sylvester for the update.

### **REPORT ON THE RESPONSE TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' REQUEST FOR RECOMMENDATIONS ON RESTRUCTURING THE INFORMATION SYSTEMS COMMISSION**

Richard Sanchez, Chief Information Officer, reported that he has drafted a letter and submitted it to the Board of Supervisors with a recommendation to keep ISC with some changes; awaiting responses from the BOS and the CEO. The changes include the Membership, CIO and ISC collaboration on projects, and number of Commission meetings.

Discussion ensued on Commissioner visits to the largest County Departments to identify systemic issues and propose potential improvements i.e. innovative ideas, cost savings, and improved application of staff resources. Also, Mr. Sanchez and staff noted that IT security precautions are in place, including Continuous Control Monitoring, Internal Program Certification, and fraud detection in sensitive processes such as with DPSS and county procurement.

Following further discussion on the benefits of the ISC assisting County Departments in areas such as policies and procedures, and IT efficiencies, Mr. Sanchez agreed to provide aggregate budget totals on IT expenditures by County Departments and an update on policy that drives County security system controls, at the next meeting.

The Chair and Vice Chair will meet with Mr. Sanchez before the next Commission meeting to discuss strategic issues that can be studied in 2010, and the possibility of scheduling County Department visits in April. Mr. Sanchez distributed an organizational chart of CIO and IT personnel in County Departments that could be useful to Commissioners in their Departmental visits.

Chair Fuhrman thanked Mr. Sanchez and staff for an informative presentation.

**MATTERS NOT ON THE POSTED AGENDA (TO BE BRIEFLY DISCUSSED AND PLACED ON A FUTURE AGENDA)**

There was none.

**PUBLIC COMMENT/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There was none.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, on motion of Commissioner Ross, seconded by Commissioner Katherman and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 4:36 p.m.